

State of New Mexico

Office of the Governor

Bill Richardson
Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER 2004-023

MODIFYING THE NEW MEXICO COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

WHEREAS, the longstanding dedication of our public radio and television broadcasters, the understanding and support of the Legislature, and the deep public interest require continued development of new and enhanced public communication services to all New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, a vital informational network of public television and radio service, instructional television fixed service, interconnection facilities and related technologies, when fully and functionally developed, will provide expanded educational services to schools and other institutions and enhanced educational opportunity for all New Mexicans; and

WHEREAS, the legislative, regulatory and policy issues of public broadcasting require close coordination of:

1. Such public officials and public agencies within New Mexico which include the Governor, the Legislature, the Commission on Higher Education, the State Public Education Department, the Public Education Commission, institutions of higher education, public school systems, other institutions and the general public; and
2. Such regional organizations as the Rocky Mountain Corporation for Public Broadcasting and Western States Public Radio; and
3. Such national entities and agencies as the U.S. Congress, the Federal Communications Commission, the National Telecommunications and Information Agency and its Public Telecommunications Facilities Program, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Public Broadcasting Service, National Public Radio, and Public Radio International; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to foster development and use of new and innovative public telecommunications technology and applications within the state; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the importance of the work of people providing public communication services.

NOW THEREFORE I, Bill Richardson, Governor of the State of New Mexico, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the Laws of New Mexico, do hereby modify the New Mexico Commission for Public Broadcasting (hereinafter "Commission") as the agency of the State of New Mexico on public broadcasting matters as follows:

1. The Commission shall consist of all managers of Corporation for Public Broadcasting-qualified public radio and public television stations, four (4) public members, and one member of the Governor's staff appointed by the Governor, four (4) members appointed by the Legislature, and three (3) ex-officio members as follows:

A. Those appointed by the Governor shall include:

1. All public radio and television managers of Corporation for Public Broadcasting-qualified stations;
2. Four (4) public members, not regular full-time employees of the state, who have demonstrated leadership in the arts, business and industry, cultural and civic affairs or education, and are representative of geographical areas of the state;
3. One (1) member of the Governor's staff.

B. Those appointed by the New Mexico State Legislature shall include:

1. Four (4) Members of the New Mexico State Legislature:
 - a. Two (2) from the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House;
 - b. Two (2) from the Senate appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the Senate.
2. There shall be one (1) Democrat and one (1) Republican from each House.

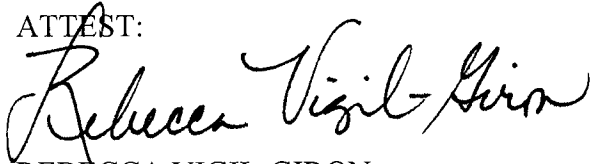
C. Ex-officio members shall include:

1. One (1) member from the Legislative Finance Committee appointed by the chairperson of the Legislative Finance Committee;
2. One (1) member from the Commission on Higher Education appointed by the chairperson of the Commission on Higher Education;
3. One (1) member from the Public Education Department appointed by the Secretary of Public Education.

2. The duties and responsibilities of the Commission shall be to
 - A. Assist and enhance development of public broadcasting within the state and its use and support by the general public;
 - B. Develop and coordinate implementation of statewide plans for public television and radio service, instructional television fixed service, interconnection facilities and related technologies; and
 - C. Address legislative, regulatory and policy issues in public broadcasting and make recommendations on these and on priorities for state and federal funding for public broadcasting.
3. The members shall serve voluntarily and without compensation.
4. The chairperson shall be selected by commission members and shall serve a one-year term.

THIS ORDER supersedes Executive Order 02-88 and any other previous orders, proclamations, or directives in conflict. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in effect until such time as it is rescinded by the Governor.

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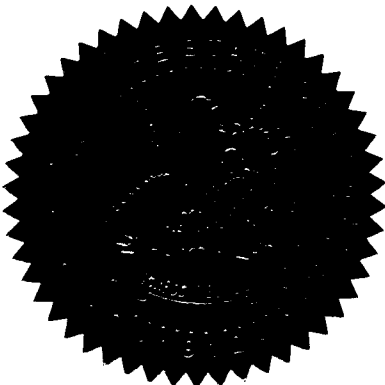
REBECCA VIGIL-GIRON
SECRETARY OF STATE

DONE AT THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
THIS 4th DAY OF MAY, 2004

WITNESS MY HAND AND THE GREAT
SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO



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